

# PIPELINE

## Upcoming Events

**September 10-14**  
Hydrant Flushing

**October 6**  
Annual Firefighters' Fish Fry  
11 a.m. to 6 p.m.

**October 22-December 4**  
Leaf Pick-up (See Page 2)

**October 22**  
Halloween Party at the  
Roundhouse — 7 p.m.

**October 27**  
Halloween Parade 10:30 a.m.

**October 27 & 28**  
Camp du Bois Rendezvous

**October 30 & 31**  
Trick or Treat 6-8 p.m.

**November 11**  
Veterans Memorial Service  
1 p.m. @ Central Park

**December 8**  
Breakfast with Santa @  
Roundhouse 8-10:30 a.m.

**April 13**  
Easter Egg Hunt, 11 a.m.  
Easter Bunny arrives, 10:45 a.m.  
Central Park (Roundhouse)

**April 16**  
Animal Inoculation Day  
6:15-7:15 p.m. for dogs  
7:15-7:30 p.m. for cats

### Household Hazardous Waste Drop Off:

September 22, from 7 a.m.-3 p.m. at the Madison County Health Facility, 101 E. Edwardsville Rd. Appointments required! Call 618-296-6647.

## New Council Member



Leroy Duncan was officially sworn in as the newest Councilmember, replacing Sharon Kadell, at the May 21 Council meeting. Leroy is the president at the Wood River VFW where he has been involved for numerous years. Prior to his appointment he served on the Plan Commission for 13 years and is currently an East Alton Wood River High School Board member where he has served since 2001. Leroy is also the treasurer at Lovejoy Presbyterian Church. He and his wife, Linda have one son and one grandson. The City wishes to thank Sharon Kadell for her ten years of dedicated service.

## Downtown Food Truck Festival

Downtown businesses will be holding their 1st Annual Food Truck Festival Saturday, September 29 from 11 a.m.-4 p.m. This will include vendors, face painting, a bounce house, live entertainment and of course food trucks from 11 a.m.-3 p.m. Visit the Facebook page by searching: Downtown Wood River IL, then click "EVENTS" for more information.



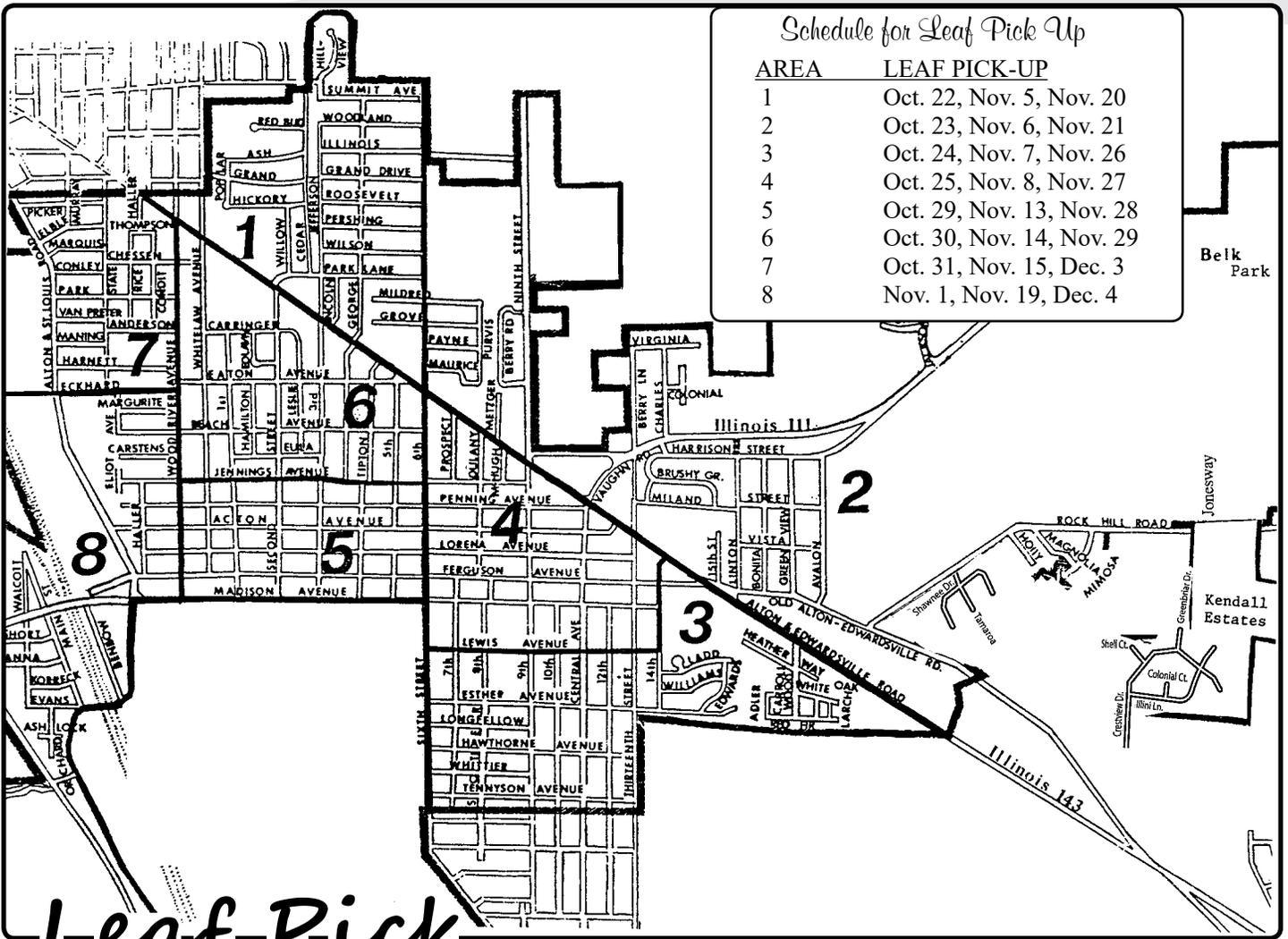
## Fire Department Sculpture



In the aftermath of the fire that consumed Kumar's Restaurant in 2004 at the Southwest corner of Lorena and Wood River Ave. there was little material that was salvageable. One item that was saved from the debris was the cast iron pole that held up the corner of this historic building for almost a century. The owners of Kumar's donated the pole to the Wood River Fire Department.

The idea for the donation was to re-purpose the cast iron pole into a light post to save a piece of Wood River history. National Maintenance in Hartford cleaned the pole and created a base. The Appearance Board was contacted to landscape around the base. The project went from a simple light pole to a community sculpture project. East Alton Wood River High School student Gracelin Rushing provided the vision for the sculpture under the direction of welding teacher Jake Sitze. The

following organizations and entities donated time material and money to make this project a reality: AJ Oster LLC, Dooling Machine Inc., Mike's Inc, National Maintenance Inc., Ranken Technical College, Restoration House Auto Body, Trickey's Service Inc., Werts Welding and Tank Service Inc. and Wood River Rotary Club.



# Leaf-Pick

*This map represents Leaf Pick up only.*

## Personalized-On-Demand "BIG" Trash Pickups

Call Republic Services at 656-6883.

City-wide Spring and Fall Trash Pickups have been replaced by Personalized-On-Demand Twice-A-Year-Pickups. No missing the date. Two free pick ups per year.

The only changes with the Personalized-On-Demand Cleanups compared to the City-Wide Cleanups are the resident gets to choose the date and the resident must schedule the cleanup with Republic Services Customer Service at 656-6883.

## Holiday Trash 2019 Schedule

Should a holiday occur on your regular pick-up day, service will be provided the following day for either trash or recyclables. Example: When a holiday falls on Monday, that route will be picked up on Tuesday, and the Tuesday route picked up on Wednesday. If there is a Thursday holiday that route will be picked up on Friday and Friday's route on Saturday. Holidays observed by the hauler are New Year's Day, Memorial Day, July 4th, Labor Day, Thanksgiving and Christmas Day.



Dr. Buller will be at the Street Department Facility on 14th Street for rabies vaccinations on Tuesday, April 16 from 6:15–7:15 p.m. for dogs and 7:15–7:30 p.m. for cats at a fee of \$18. Other shots available upon request.

Madison County animal registration fee is also due at the time of service. No vaccinations will be given unless the County fee is paid. Fees for Madison County are \$10 if spayed/neutered and \$30 if not. You may also purchase your City of Wood River dog and cat tags which are due every May: **Dog Tags:** Male & Spayed Female is \$3.50, Unspayed Female is \$ 5.50. **Cat Tags:** Male & Female (two year license) is \$ 2.

**PLEASE BE AWARE: NOTE: City code allows only two dogs and three cats per household.**

**NO CHICKENS ALLOWED PER CITY ORDINANCE**

## Public Works:

**Hydrant Flushing:** The City will be flushing and testing Fire Hydrants the week of September 10. Residents may experience some discoloration of their water. However, the water will continue to be safe to drink. Residents may want to avoid doing laundry during this time to avoid discoloration of clothing. If you must do laundry, make sure you check the water before you put in the clothes. Despite the inconvenience of the discolored water, it is necessary to flush fire hydrants to remove any sediment that might have settled in the water mains and to ensure the fire hydrants remain in good work order. If you have any questions, please call the Water Division at 251-3133.

**Downtown Streetscape:** Phase II of the Streetscape Downtown Project is scheduled to begin Summer 2019. The scope of work will include new pavement, ADA compliant sidewalks and street lighting to match Phase I. Phase II construction will be on Ferguson Avenue from First Street east to Second Street and from Old St. Louis Road east to Wood River Avenue.



**Snow Routes:** Please remember when we have a snowstorm of two inches or more accumulation, it is unlawful to park

on Snow Routes until the streets are cleared from curb to curb. If it is expected to snow overnight, please move your vehicles off the street before you go to bed for the night.

**Christmas Tree Recycling:** You may dispose of your Christmas tree at the City Dump/Compost Site at 400 Smith Ct. in the Envirotech Business Park at no charge. Please remove all ornaments and tinsel from the tree before bringing it to the facility. Hours of operation are Friday, Saturday and Monday from 8 a.m.– 4 p.m. and Sunday from Noon to 4 p.m. Call Public Works for more information at 251-3122.

## Police Department:



*Sergeant Greene with Sons Dathan and Brock and Wife Angie*

### Promotion:

Officer Brady Greene, pictured with his family, was promoted to Sergeant in July. Sergeant Greene began at the Wood River Police Department in 2006. He has served as an investigator with the Major Case Squad and been a member of the WRPD Drug Unit since 2013. Congratulations Sergeant Greene!

### New Police Department

The construction of the new police department is still scheduled for completion by the end of 2018. It is amazing to see the ongoing transformation at the corner of 6th St. and Madison Ave. This project was made possible with donated funds from BP to cover the complete cost of construction and land donation.

### Landlord/Property Owner/Tenant/Police Liaison Meeting at City Hall

All landlords, property owners and tenants are invited to attend a meeting with the Police Department for an open dialogue with the Police Chief and with judges from the Third Judicial Court House. Bring your questions and concerns. Where: City Hall 111 N Wood River Ave. When: September 18 at 6 p.m.

## Fire Department:

**Halloween Parade:** The Wood River Fire Department will coordinate the annual Halloween Parade Saturday, October 27th at 10:30 a.m. The parade route begins at Emerick Sports Complex and proceeds south on Sixth Street to Ferguson Avenue then west on Ferguson to Wood River Avenue and then north on Wood River Avenue concluding at Central Park. If you would like to participate, please visit the website [woodriverfire.org](http://woodriverfire.org).

**Annual Firefighters' Fish Fry:** The Wood River firefighters will host its Annual Fish Fry, Saturday, October 6 from 11 a.m. to 6 p.m. Alaskan white fish, buffalo, potato salad, slaw and bread will be served, along with an assortment of desserts. Tickets available from any firefighter or at the door. Located at the Fire Station 501 E. Edwardsville Rd.

**Leaf Burning Restrictions:** Leaf burning is ONLY ALLOWED on Wednesdays & Saturdays from October 1 through April 30, during daylight hours, during a calm weather period with winds of less than ten miles per hour. The burning shall be supervised and a water hose shall be available to extinguish the fire, if necessary. In addition, outdoor leaf burning must be done at a minimum of 15 feet from any structure and shall include only leaves falling from trees, plants, and shrubs. No leaf burning shall be allowed on any public street or alley and shall occur on private property only.



*Patrolman Cody Thomas*

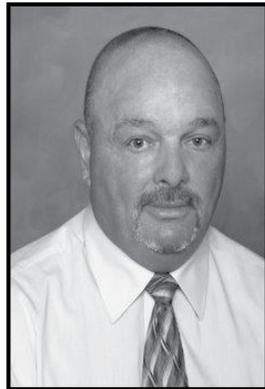
### New Hire:

The Wood River Police Department hired a new patrol officer. Cody Thomas was hired on June 11. Officer Thomas made a lateral transfer from the Village of Roxana where he served for 3 ½ years. Officer Thomas attended Southwestern Illinois College's Police Academy and graduated in August of 2014.

# City Employees Celebrate Anniversaries

Congratulations to these employees for milestone service anniversaries.

## 30 YEARS



*Mickey Sabolo*

## 25 YEARS



*Brian Crawford*



*Leonard Revelle*

## 15 YEARS



*Steve Palen*



*David Webb*



*Chris Alfaro*



*Jason Woody*

## 10 YEARS

# Special Recognition & Congratulations!

City Council presented Certificates of Recognition to the following:

**Fire Department Engineers Kris Ayers & Bill Hall** and POC **Jamie Wells** for receiving the Firefighter Excellence Award at the 25th Annual Illinois Fallen Firefighter Memorial & Medal of Honor Awards Ceremony.

**Tammy Iskarous** at the June 18 council meeting to congratulate her for receiving the 2018 St. Louis Women of Achievement Award. Tammy was chosen for this award based on her “social enterprise”.

**The Lions Club** President Jim Bailey and Past President Gary Ahasay presented the City with a \$3,000 donation towards asphalt for handicap access at the Lions Shelter at Belk Park.

**The Rotary Club** presented the City with a \$6,000 donation towards Emerick Sports Complex renovations. These funds were raised at the 1st annual Color Run held at Belk Park in June 2018. Pictured: Park Director Jason Woody, Mayor Cheryl McGuire, Color Run Chairperson Lindsey Herron and Rotary President John Pearson.



## Heritage Council News

### Wood River Heritage Council Celebrates 25th Anniversary



*Founding Members: Back row: Lawanda Smith, Guy Williams, Dan Robien, Tim Palermo, Jean Clendenny, Roseanne Davis, Allen Schmidt, Front row: Charlie James, Eleanor Alexander, Margaret Webb, Sharon Arnold. Not pictured: Judy Shields.*

In 1993, the Wood River Heritage Council was formed with the mission to open a museum to preserve the rich history of the City of Wood River. The building at 40 W. Ferguson was purchased by the City and a major volunteer effort began. Volunteers worked to rehab the building to accommodate the museum and to research and develop historic displays. The museum held its grand opening May 17, 1997 with 500 in attendance. Congratulation to all of the founding members as well as all those who have played a part in the Heritage Council success over the years.

The first project the Heritage Council tackled was a 1993 rehab of the Vaughn Hill Cemetery which was deeded to the City by the Vaughn family. Volunteers and Boy Scouts cleared brush, repaired tombstones, and installed a wrought iron fence. The cemetery is overseen by the Heritage Council and maintained by the City.

In 1998, the Council refurbished one of the oldest churches in Wood River located at 446 Lorena. The Wood River Historic Wedding Chapel serves as a perfect locale for small weddings and ceremonies.

In 2003 volunteers began construction on the Camp DuBois campground with the help of C. J. Lanahan and Sam Pellegrino. The camp hosts an annual rendezvous and reenactment of the days Lewis and Clark spent in Wood River.

Each year the Heritage Council captures a bit of Wood River history in a custom calendar. The 2019 calendar will feature the 70th anniversary of the devastation of the Wood River tornado. The calendar will be available in November.

#### UPCOMING EVENTS

- October 4-27 is the Small Works Art Competition at the Museum.
- November 3 - Disco Bingo at Wood River VFW at 6:30 p.m.

HERITAGE COUNCIL meetings are held the first Tuesday of every month at 6:30 p.m. at the museum. Volunteers are always welcome.

## Appearance Awards

The following Appearance Award winners were recognized at a Council meeting:

#### MAY

**Samuel Lowe, 826 E. Ferguson  
BP Works, Inc., 648 N. Wood River Ave.**

#### JUNE

**Kenny & Linda Kutter, 427 E. Ferguson  
Ervin Cable Construction, 501 W. Ferguson**

#### JULY

**Randy & Cheryl Bishop, 6 Holly Drive  
VonDell Gallery & Studios, 102 E. Ferguson**

#### AUGUST

**Tim & Crystal West, 230 8th Street  
Unsell, Schattnik & Phillips, PC, 3 S. 6th Street**

#### SEPTEMBER

**Terri Yerkes, 904 Cedar  
Pitchford Funeral Home, 2555 Vaughn Road**

## Christmas Tree Decorating Contest and Winter Wonder Walk

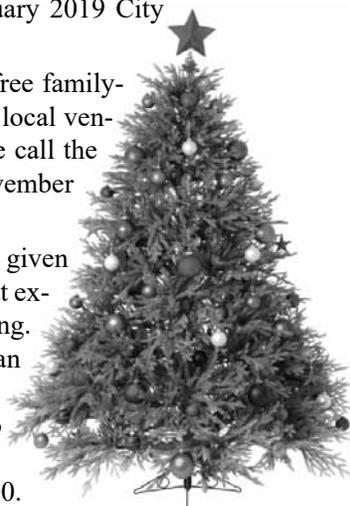
In December, the Appearance Board will host the 2nd annual Winter Wonder Walk at Central Park, the Holiday Spirit Awards and the 4th annual Tree Decorating Contest.

The Christmas tree decorating contest will be open to all Wood River businesses and schools. Trees for the event will be available for pick up on Friday, November 16 at the Roundhouse from 9 a.m. to 3 p.m. Decorated trees are to be returned to the Roundhouse by Friday, November 30 between 9 a.m. to 3 p.m. Contact the roundhouse for more information at 251-3130.

All decorated trees will be displayed beginning Friday, December 7 from 4- 7 p.m. during the Winter Wonder Walk. Trees will remain on display at the Roundhouse for voting through Friday, December 28. Awards will be given to one business and one school class during a January 2019 City Council meeting.

The Winter Wonder Walk is a free family-friendly event including games and local vendors. To register as a vendor, please call the City Clerk's office no later than November 30.

**Holiday Spirit Awards** will be given to those residents and businesses that exemplify holiday spirit thru decorating. Anyone in the City of Wood River can participate! Notify the City Clerk's office no later than December 14 to nominate your favorite holiday decoration. Contact City Hall at 251-3100.





## Upcoming Special Holiday Events

**Halloween Party:** The Recreation Department will be hosting the 33rd Annual Halloween Party on Monday, October 22 from 7-8 p.m. at the Roundhouse. Wood River children up to age 11 are invited to join in the fun! There will be entertainment, candy and a costume contest.

*Pictured right are a few costume contest winners from 2017.*

*Pictured below are the Park and Rec staff with Mr. and Mrs. Claus.*



**Breakfast With Santa:** Get your name on Santa's list at the 32nd Annual Breakfast with Santa on Saturday, December 8th from 8-10:30 a.m. at the Roundhouse. Don't miss this opportunity for great family fun. Breakfast for children includes two pancakes, two sausage links and juice or milk. Adult breakfast includes three pancakes, three sausage links and choice of milk or coffee. Cost \$3 children and \$4 adults. Pictures with Santa will also be taken for a small fee.

**Easter Egg Hunt:** A FREE Easter Egg Hunt is offered to the children of Wood River residents ages tot thru 4th grade. The hunt will be held at Central Park, next to the Roundhouse. There will be over 120 dozen eggs hidden, along with some special prizes awarded to those finding special eggs. The Wood River Public Library will offer crafts and each child will receive a bag of candy from the Easter Bunny. Prizes are donated by Wood River Area Merchants. Be sure to bring your camera!

Date: Saturday, April 13, 2019

Time: Easter Bunny arrives at 10:45 a.m.

3rd & 4th Grade Egg Hunt will follow at 11 a.m.,  
1st & 2nd Grade Egg Hunt at 11:15 a.m., Pre  
School & Kindergarten Egg Hunt at 11:30 a.m.  
and Toddler Egg Hunt at 11:45 a.m.



## SPORTS

**Fall/Winter Gymnastic:** This is a great way to improve your child's strength and coordination levels. The program is an eight-week session from August thru May on Tuesday & Wednesday evenings. Registration began in August.

Parent & Tot: 2-3 years

Early Tumblers: 4-5 years

Beginners: 6 years & Older

Tumbling: 6 years & Older

Intermediate: 6 years & Older

Advanced: 6 years & Older

**Karate Lessons:** Instructor George Manns offers Karate instructions for all ages. Classes are Wednesday and Friday from 7-8 p.m. (Except for the 1st Wednesday when classes are from 8-9 p.m.) Lessons are taught at the Recreation Shelter on 14th Street in Wood River. For more information contact the instructor at 465-5904.

**Lil-Kickers Soccer:** The Wood River and Roxana Recreation Departments offer an Instructional Soccer program for children ages 3-4. This program takes place over four Saturday mornings. There will be instructor lead drills with parents & child. The registration fee is \$25 and includes a t-shirt. The Instructional Soccer program is scheduled to begin in September.





**Tri-City Youth Basketball League:** Wood River, East Alton, & Roxana have teamed up to offer a Tri-City Basketball League for 2nd- 6th grade Boys and Girls. League play begins in December with games being played at the Roxana Community Gym. Registration will start November 1st.

**Instructional Basketball Camp:** This basketball program has been set up for Kindergarten & 1st grade children. It is designed to teach the fundamentals and skills of basketball along with special drills to help with coordination. Each participant receives a completion certificate. Registration fee is \$25 and begins in September.

## Otto Rice Memorial Softball TOURNAMENT

The 10th annual Otto Rice Memorial Softball Tournament will be held September 29. A \$100 minimum donation per team is required. All donations will go toward the Otto W. Rice Scholarship.

## Hoedowners Square Dancers



The Wood River Square Dance Club starts lessons on Thursday, September 13 at 7 p.m. for two hours each Thursday. The first week's class is free. Bring a partner and join in the fun. Once you have completed lessons you may be interested in joining the Hoedowners at 7 p.m. on the 2nd and 4th Saturdays of each month for some square dancing fun. The Wood River Square Dance Club has always danced at the Roundhouse and is the oldest club in existence in Illinois since its creation by Mayor Lucien Ringering in 1949.

## Baseball and Softball Leagues Forming Spring 2019



**Tri-City Youth Baseball and Softball:** Registration runs for the entire month of March. Teams are formed in late April and league play begins in May. The following divisions are offered for a fee of \$35 (\$5 late fee after registration date).

### Boys:

Age 8-9, Rookie League, Machine Pitch  
Age 10-11, Minor League, Player Pitch  
Age 12-13, Major League, Player Pitch  
Age 14-16, Juvenile, Player Pitch

### Girls:

Age 8-9, Ponytail League, Machine Pitch  
Age 10-12, Petite League - Player Pitch  
Age 13-16, Chic League - Player Pitch

### Co-Ed:

Ages 4-5, Tee Ball League - Instructional League

Ages 6-7, Coach Pitch League - Instructional League

All of the above will play in the Tri-City League which is made up of teams from Wood River, Roxana and East Alton. All games are played in the evening.

**Adult Softball: 2019 SUMMER LEAGUE:** Registration begins in February and the deadline is March 31, 2019. All leagues begin play during the last week of April weather permitting

### Summer Slow Pitch League:

*Fees to be announced*

#### Men's League (2 Umpires)

Monday Men's Open  
Wednesday Men's Open  
Friday Men's Open

#### Co-Ed League (1 Umpire)

Thursday Co-Ed Open

*All Leagues are*

*Double Round Robin*



## Games Interfering with Traffic Prohibited

It shall be unlawful to play any games upon any street, alley, sidewalk or other public place where such games cause unnecessary noise or interference with traffic or pedestrians. This is particularly true about basketball hoops and should be limited to driveways only.

## Wood River Parks & Recreation Discrimination Complaint Procedure Notice:

Wood River Parks & Recreation programs and facilities are available to all citizens regardless of race, color, national origin, sex, age, or disability. Reasonable accommodation may be requested to provide participation in desired programs and activities. If you have a disability condition and would like more information and support for accessibility of programs and facilities, call 251-3130.

# Library News

## Check It Out!

Thank you for making “Reading takes you Everywhere” a success!

We hope you enjoyed being whisked away this summer and meeting your reading goals! We are looking forward to next summer and “Showtime at your Library!”

A special thanks to our Summer Reading Program Sponsors: Scott Credit Union, The Bank of Edwardsville, Laborers’ Local 338, The Pump House Bar and Grill, First Mid-Illinois Bank & Trust, Marks Mortuary, Prairie Farms, Jack Schmitt Chevrolet, Wood River Women’s Club, Midwest Members Credit Union, Wood River Kiwanis, St. Louis Cardinals, Gateway Grizzlies, Rustic Roots, and Wood River Dairy Queen.

And a big thank you to our partners: Wood River Parks & Recreation and William M. BeDell Achievement and Resource Center and of course, a HUGE thanks to our great volunteers!

## Children & Young Adult Programs

### (September-May)

Wood River Public Library offers FREE programs for children of all ages! Check out our website and Facebook for details each month!

**Toddler Tales:** a storytime for babies ages 18 months-three years old and a caregiver. Join us each month for stories, rhymes, and tactile activities for our youngest library visitors!

**Roll-n-Read:** This program combines literacy and movement for a fun filled Tuesday morning! Roll-n-Read is held at the Wood River Roundhouse from 9-9:30 a.m. every Tuesday, for children five and younger. \*NOTE\* Roll-n-Read will not start until November this year.

**Storytime:** for ages 4-6 years (or pre-K-1st grade). Each month we explore a different topic through books, activities, and a craft!

**Lego Club:** For grades 2nd-8th. Kids are welcomed to the library to express their creativity through Legos. We provide the Legos each month and then display what the children have made.

**Science Club:** Grade 2nd-5th. We will focus on the STEAM initiative (Science, Technology, Engineering, Art, Math) through hands on activities.

**Young Adult Program:** Teens in grades 6-12 are welcome to join us each month for crafts, activities, games, and fun!

**Family Build Day:** For families of all ages. Once a month we will put the Legos in the children’s section for the entire family to enjoy.

**Book Club:** Our book club for adults meets the first Monday each month from 5:30-7 p.m. We always welcome new members and new points of view. Light refreshments are served. For a list of past selections and what we’re reading next, visit our website.

**New Release Movies:** Join us each month as we show movies before they are released for circulation!

**Star Wars Family Reading Night:** Join us for an all-ages celebration of reading! Family Reading Night will be held Thursday, November 29 from 6-7:30 p.m. and features games, prizes, refreshments, and of course-books! Program is free of charge. Check back with the library this fall for details.

## Special Events

**Harry Potter Party:** October 13

**AARP Safe Driving Course:** November 8 & 9 (please call to register)

**Family Reading Night:** November 29 (Star Wars Theme)

More events are added regularly, so stay connected by stopping by, visiting our website, or liking our Facebook page.

**Thousands of E-Books:** Wood River Library cardholders have access to CloudLibrary e-books and e-audiobooks. There are thousands of titles available. The library also offers Tumblebooks—e-books and games for kids.

**ABCmouse:** You can now check out ABCmouse at home! ABCmouse is the #1 learning resource for children ages 2-8+, with more than 8,500 Learning Activities teaching reading, math, science and more! Check it out via a link on our website.

**Wowbrary** is our weekly online newsletter delivered straight to your email inbox. It highlights our new releases, provides information on upcoming programs and events, and much more. Stop in the library and sign up today!

**Wood River Public Library Memorial Garden:** Anyone can recognize and honor a special person by purchasing a brick or block in our Memorial Garden. Forms are available at the library or on our website.

**Volunteers Needed:** If you’re looking to fulfill service hours, or just want to help out, contact the library for volunteer opportunities. We’re here to help!

**Technology Help at the Library:** Wood River Public Library offers one on one assistance with our Technology Manager.

Don’t see it on our shelves? Don’t worry! Through our interlibrary loan service, we can request items from another library and have them shipped here to you, at no cost! Books, DVDs, CDs and more from over 400 LIBRARIES!

## We want you Back!

September is Amnesty Month at Wood River Public Library. Return your overdue items during the month of September to have your overdue library fines forgiven. In 2017 we forgave OVER \$1,100. Applies to Wood River patrons and items only.



*Officer Alfaro spends valuable time connecting with our young patrons.*

### Contact The Library:

326 E. Ferguson Ave. , Wood River  
618-254-4832

**Website:** [woodriverlibrary.org](http://woodriverlibrary.org)

**Email:** [info@woodriverlibrary.org](mailto:info@woodriverlibrary.org)

**Facebook:** [facebook.com/woodriverlibrary](https://facebook.com/woodriverlibrary)